President.—To the present Bill alone,

Mr. C. V. Kuriyan.—Will they go to other sections also?

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—I don't think there is any reconstruction, Sir.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—It was the practice also here.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—As amendments we can introduce all.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—And other amendments also.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Not the whole Tenancy Act.

Amendments to Standing Orders.

President.—The Law Member will present the Select Committee Report on the amendments to the Standing Orders of the Council and move that the amendments as reported by the Select Committee be taken into consideration.

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar.—I beg to move that the amendments to the Standing Orders be read in Council. The Select Committee has also reported on that matter and I beg to place before you the Report of the Select Committee.

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.—I second it.

President.—The motion before the House is that the amendments to the Standing Orders, as reported by the Select Committee, be taken into consideration.

Motion put and agreed to.

President.—All the following amendments in the list may be taken to have been read in Council and passed.

Sub-division (5). Standing Order No. 2.—Change the full stop after 'Council' into a comma, and add 'and may consist of one or more sittings'.

Sub-division (12).—Change the full stop after 'progrogued' into a comma, and add 'and may consist of one or more meetings'.

Standing Order No. 3.—Re-number the sub-divisions (a) and (b) as (1) and (2). In sub-division (a) for 'times and places of meetings' substitute 'time and place of every meeting' and for the word 'date' substitute 'time' and for 'date' in line 5 substitute 'commencement'.

In sub-division (b) for 'date fixed for' substitute 'commencement of'; for 'session' substitute 'meeting' and omit 'legislative'; for 'brought forward at a' substitute 'transacted at that' for 'date of each session' at the end substitute 'commencement of that meeting'.

Standing Order No. 4. Sub-division (2).—Put a semicolon after 'lapse' and omit the words 'and a fresh notice shall be given for the next session'.

Sub-division (3).—Omit the words 'to the pending list of business'. After 'next Council' put a full stop and begin a fresh sentence with 'but' in place of 'and'.

Standing Order No. 5. Sub-division (1).—Omit the words 'while in session'.

Sub-division (2).—Omit the words 'since the last meeting'.

Standing Order No. 6—Sub-division (1).—For 'session' in lines 2 and 5 substitute 'meeting'. After the word 'Council' in line 4 add 'and may allot different days for the disposal of different classes of such business'.

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Sub-division (2).—After the word 'ballot' insert the words 'for each meeting', put a comma and add 'as provided in schedule 1'.

Sub-division (4).—In the proviso for 'session' substitute 'meeting'.

Standing Order No. 8.—For 'session' in lines 2 and 4 substitute 'meeting'.

Standing Order No. 11.—For 'meeting' substitute 'sitting'.

Standing Order No. 13.—Re-number the present Standing Order as Sub-division (1) and add the following as sub-division (2):—

"(2). But the member asking for the leave must, before the commencement of the sitting at which he intends to move it, leave with the President a written statement of the matter proposed to be discussed".

Standing Order No. 15.—Change the words 'holding a meeting on any day' into 'the commencement of a sitting'.

Standing Order No. 17.—Add the following after the first sentence:—'If, while a Member is speaking, a Member desires to make an explanation or to ask an explanation from the Member speaking, he shall rise in his place and, if called upon by the President, shall make or ask the explanation; if not called upon, he shall resume his seat'. In line 4 after 'rises' add 'or if a Member rises to a point of order'.

Standing Order No. 19. Sub-division (2).—In line 3 before the word 'meeting' add 'commencement of the'.

Sub-division (3).—In the first line, between the words 'by' and 'voices' add the words 'show of hands' and put a comma after the word 'hands'.

Standing Order No. 20. Sub-division (2).—After 'disallow' add 'at any time or stage'.

Standing Order No. 21.—After the word 'and' in line 3 add 'when it is moved' and omit 'thereupon'.

Standing Order No. 26.—For 'meeting' substitute 'sitting'.

Re-number the present Standing Order as sub-division (1) and add the following as sub-division (2):—

"(2). The President may adjourn any sitting or business to any future day and hour or to any part of the same day without discussion or vote".

Standing Order No. 31.—Change the marginal heading into 'Introduction' and 'first reading'.

Sub-division (1).—Add after 'Gazette' the words 'or after leave to introduce has been given'.

Sub-division (4).—After the word 'charge' add 'or any other Member'.

Sub-division (5).—Add the following as the last sentence:—'The Committee shall not as a rule exceed seven in number'.

Standing Order No. 33. Sub-division (3).—After the first sentence add the following:—'In the absence of the Chairman from a meeting, the Members of the Commitee present shall elect one of them as Chairman for that meeting'.

Standing Order No. 38.—'For reconsideration' substitute 'consideration'.

Standing Order No. 39.—For 'sitting' substitute 'commencement of the meeting'.

Standing Order No. 41.—Change the marginal heading into 'Second Reading'.

Standing Order No 42.—Change the marginal heading into 'Third Reading and passing'.

Sub-divisions (1) *and* (2).—For 'meeting' substitute 'sitting' in both the sub-divisions.

Add the following as Standing Order No. 42 (3):— "When any one of the three motions of introduction, taking into consideration or passing of a Bill is not carried, the Bill shall be deemed to have been rejected, and it shall

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not be re-introduced within a period of one year from the date of such rejection".

Standing Order No. 49. Sub-division (1).—For 'two' substitute 'three'.

Standing Order No 54.—After 'rules' add 'or the Standing Orders or has been withdrawn with the leave of the Council'.

For Standing Orders 66 and 67 substitute the following Standing Order:—

"When a Member has the leave of the Council to proceed, the procedure in regard to Bills introduced shall, as far as may be, be followed with such necessary alterations as to the form of the motions that may be made as the President may direct."

"Provident that, in the event of a reference to a select committee, the Deputy President shall be the Chairman and the Government Advocate and the Secretary to the Council (when they are Members of the Council) and the Member who introduced the amendment shall be Members thereof, and the remaining Members, who shall be three in number shall be elected by the Council".

"*Schedule I—Ballot Rules.*

(1) A Member giving notice of more than one resolution shall number his resolutions in the order in which he desires to move them, provided that he may alter such order by intimation given to the Secretary not less than three clear days previous to the date of ballot.

(2) The Secretary will keep a numbered list and will enter the name of each Member who has given notice of a resolution upon that list.

(3) Not less than ten days previous to the commencement of the session, a ballot will be held in the Legislative Council office before the Secretary, at which any Member who wishes to attend may do so.

(4) Papers with numbers corresponding to those against which entries have been made on the numbered list will be placed in a box.

(5) A clerk will take out at hazard from the box one of the papers, and the Secretary will call out from the list the corresponding name, which will then be entered on a priority list. This procedure will be carried out till all the numbers have been drawn.

(6) Priority on the list will entitle the Member to priority in moving that resolution to which he himself has given priority under rule (1) of the schedule.

Provided that, if a resolution to which priority is given under rule (1) is disallowed the next resolution standing in the Member's name may be moved in its place.

(7) Priority on the list shall also entitle a Member to priority in respect of his subsequent resolutions, provided that, after a Member has moved a resolution, he shall not move another resolution until every other Member has had an opportunity of moving a resolution standing in his name in the list of business".

Question put and agreed to.

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar.—I beg to move that this may be taken up and passed on Friday.

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.—I second it.

President.—The motion before the House is that the amendments to the Standing Orders, as proposed by the Select Committee, be taken up and passed on Friday, the fifth of December 1930.

Motion put and agreed to.

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